South Carolina

Lead Poisoning Prevention and Control Act

S.C. Code Ann. §Â§ 44-53-1310 to 44-53-1480 (Law. Co-op. 1985 and Supp. 1993).

Comprehensive act that prohibits the use of lead in certain items, requires reporting of lead poisoning followed by an inspection, and notification procedures for informing owners/occupants of lead hazards. Specifics of the act include:

- defining "lead-based substance" as surface-coating material containing more than
 6/100 of 1% of lead by weight;
- prohibiting the sale and use of lead in toys, furniture, or cooking, eating, or drinking utensils;
- a program for screening of children under 6 years and reporting requirements for physicians;
- o requiring the reporting of lead to the state which will perform its own inspection and identify areas in need of correction; and
- o requiring the owner to remove or cover the lead hazards within 30 days.